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Edinburgh, Monday, April 4, 1726.

The rest of Wye's Letter, March 26.

YEsterday the Commons read a Petition of the City of London, against building a Bridge over the Thames, and ordered the Petitioners to be heard by Council on Friday next. Resolved to go into a Committee on Ways and Means on Monday.

Took into Consideration his Majesty's Message on Thursday last, and upon a Division 270 against 89, resolved, That an humble Address be presented his Majesty, that he will be pleased to make an Addition to the Number of Seamen already voted; and to concert such Measures as he shall in his great Wisdom think will best conduce to the Security of the Trade and Navigation of this Kingdom, and to the Preservation of the Peace of Europe; and to assure his Majesty, that this House will effectually provide for, and make good all such Expences and Engagements as shall be made for obtaining those great and desireable Ends.

Resolved, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

This Address was moved by Sir William Young, after observing what a good Effect the granting the 250,000 L. in 1717, had to frustrate the then Designs of Sweden; and that he thought it now a proper Time to assist his Majesty in like Manner, when the Emperor and Spain are arming, with a Design to Embaras our Trade, &c. To which another Gentleman said, he was against giving Money Blindfold, when the Nation was so much in Debt, or at least giving Power to raise it without Limitation; others said an Account ought first to be given of the 250,000 L. in 1717, since perhaps, it might be for some secret Service, and took Notice of the great Increase of the National Debt.

Sir Robert Walpole in answer said, the Rebellions had been the Occasion of the Increase, and the Designs of Sweden and the Pretender, had not been frustrated by dint of Sword only.

And as to the Limitation talked of, the Speaker in a fine Speech quoted the Journals of Queen Elizabeth, King Charles II. and the 5th of Queen Anne's Reign of 500,000 L. and another of 300,000 L. and particularly to King Charles II. who observing the growing Strength of France, the Parliament gave him Power to make a League with the Dutch, and to concert such other Measures as he thought fit, and they would make good all these Expences.

The South Sea and E. India Companies have rais'd the Interest of their Bonds from 4 to 5 per Cent. for one Year, commencing from the 26th Inst. Part of the 24 Greenland Ships are fallen down the River, in order to proceed on their 2d Voyage.

A Grant is passing the Seals to Sir John Evelin, for a Re-Grant of certain Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, in the County of Kent, on Consideration of paying 4000 L. to his Majesty. These Estates formerly belonged to Sir John Grandfather.

An Express arrived here this Day from Madrid, from whence we are informed, that the 3 Muscovite Ships continue still at St. Andero, a Port in Spain.

The Spanish Minister at the Hague, continues to use indefatigale Endeavours to dissuade the States General from entering into the Treaty of Hanover, and to advise them to that of Vienna. But there is no Appearance that his Negociations will prove successful.

From the Flying-Post, March 26.

Rome, March 9. The Pope performed a Ceremony upon Candlemas-day last, which drew Tears from all the Spectators: It was the Ceremony of removing the Bodies of St. John and St. Paul out of their Leaden Coffins into Shrines or Urns of Porphiry. 'Tis true he was assisted by Half-a-score of Cardinals and six Bishops, or else he must have dropp'd down in the Procession, after he had been fervently preaching a whole Hour before in the Pulpit, upon that Text in *Psal.* xxxiv. 20. *The Lord keepeth the Bones of the Righteous.* But notwithstanding this Assistance, to see the good old Pope, already stooping with the Weight of Age, sweating and puffing under the Burden of these precious Relicks; this Humility of his, compared with the Pride of some of his Predecessors, who chose to be carried at the Head of such Processions upon the Shoulders of other Men,

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this was what drew Tears & Sighs from the Hearts of all that saw it, and especially the Women.

Don Felix Cornaro, Minister of Spain, daily sends Recruits from hence to Catalonia, consisting of Deserters of all Nations, whom he enlists in this City. 'Tis observed, that tho' the Imperial Ambassador is very well informed of his so doing, he makes no Objection against it as formerly.

From the Whitehall Evening-Post March 26.

Vienna, March 16. The Dutch Minister has complained to the Imperial Court, of the Scorn and Contempt which another Minister spoke of the Accession to the Hanover Treaty. As they are busy at the Chancery examining the Demand of the Title of Empress in favour of the Czarina, 'tis believed the Imperial Court is not far from granting it.

Dantzick, March 20. Letters from Warsaw say, that Court impatiently waits the Return of a Courier they dispatched some Time since to England, with Proposals for an Accommodation; that Court having nothing so much at Heart as restoring and cultivating a good Harmony and Friendship 'twixt his British Majesty and the Crown and Republic of Poland.

From the Evening Post, March ---

Answer of the States General, to the Memorial of Count Coningseck-Erps, copied from the Register of their H. Mightinesses Resolutions the States General.

COunt Coningseck-Erps, Envoy Extraordinary from his Imperial and Catholick Majesty, having presented on the 28th of January, and 14th of February, to their High Mightinesses, two Memorials, tending to induce them to enter into Negociation with his Imperial and Catholick Majesty, for accommodating the Differences about the Commerce of the Austrian Netherlands to the Indies, and to dissuade their High Mightinesses from acceding to the Treaty of Hanover;

Their High Mightinesses returned the following Answer to the said Count, That he having sent their High Mightinesses Resolution of the 24th of January, to his Imperial and Catholick Majesty; their High Mightinesses entertain'd Hopes, that when it should come to his Majesty, he would have the Goodness to be satisfied with it. That besides they imagined, that at least convenient Time ought to interveen, that they might learn something of his Majesty's Mind about it, before they answered the said Memorials; That it is for these Reasons, and because they expected some Propositions from the M. de St. Philippe, and to see of what Nature they might be, that they answer the said Memorials later than otherwise they should have done.

That they received with very great Pleasure the Assurances which the C. de Coningseck-Erps gives them anew in the said Memorials, of the Continuance of his Imp. and Cath. Majesty's Kindess for the Republick, and of his Intentions to preserve Harmony and good Understanding with them, as likewise to come to an Agreement on the Differences concerning Commerce; but on the other Hand, they observed with Grief, that the said Count Coningseck Erps infers from their Resolution of the 24th of January. That their H. Mightinesses do not make sufficient Returns to the good Intentions and Dispositions of his Imp. and Cath. Majesty, nor shew an equal readiness to terminate amicably the Differences touching Commerce, because they seem unwilling to enter into Negociations thereupon.

That their H. Mightinesses having always set a very high Value on the Friendship and Affection of his Imp. and Cath. Majesty towards this Republic, of which they are perswaded they have given sufficient Proofs, do wish for nothing more than to continue to live in a perfect Harmony and Understanding with his Imp and Cath. Majesty; That they are very much concerned certain Incidents should have happened of late, which have bred a Coldness in their ancient Confidence; but their Comfort is, that what has given Occasion to it, did not proceed from them: That they wish with all their Heart, that the Affairs which did give the Occasion, and at the same Time the former Union and Confidence, might be established on that ancient Foot they were heretofore, to which they are disposed to contribute all that can be reasonably expected of them.

That as to the Commerce of th'Austrian Netherlands to the Indies, their H. Mightinesses cannot but look upon it as not only contrary to the Treaties; but must likewise consider this Commerce, and the Consequences adherent to it, as tending to the very great Damage, and even to the Ruin of the Republick; and are perswaded, that the Advantages which his Imperial and Catholick Majesty and his Subjects promise themselves, are in no Ways to be compared to the extreme Prejudice the Republick and its Subjects suffer, and must further expect from it. That for these Reasons, whatever Inclinations their H. Mightinesses may have, to enter into Negociation on the Differences about Commerce, and for terminating them amicably, they think they cannot enter into Negociation for that Purpose upon the Footing proposed by the said Count Coningseck Erps; because he supposes the Commerce of the Austrian Netherlands to the Indies,

dies ſhould ſubſiſt, and that the Negociations ſhould tend only to find out ſome Expedient, Limitations or Modifications, in which their H. Mightineſſes do not ſee they would be ſafe; for by this Means, the Body and the Root would remain, and the Branches only be lop'd off a little, which in Time would ſhoot out with greater Strength than before.

To be continued.

Since our laſt arrived a French and Holland Mail.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, March 29.

ADvices from Conſtantinople are ſuch as ſeem to remove the Jealouſies which the Emperor and the Czarina had entertain'd of the Deſigns of the Turks; for the Miniſter of Sultan Eſref, having in the firſt Audience with the Grand Vizier, took occaſion to give his Maſter the Title of Sophi of Perſia, the Port was ſo incenſed at it, that a Grand Council of War was immediately held thereupon, whereupon it was unanimouſly reſolved to declare the ſaid Sultan an Enemy to his Sublime Highneſs, and to deſtroy him by Fire and Sword, and 'tis aſſured that the Grand Signior has ſent Advice of his Reſolution to the Empreſs of Ruſſia, exhorting her to act in concert with him againſt the Uſurper Eſref, on which Condition he offers her the Continuance of his Friendſhip, beſides other very advantageous Terms.

Letters from Germany ſay, That all the Imperial Generals have Orders to get their Regiments completed by the Beginning of April. That the Electors of Bavaria and Cologn, have acceded to the Treaty of Vienna.

In the Debates laſt Friday upon the King's Meſſage, a great Gentleman ſaid it was his Opinion, that his Majeſty would not enter into further Engagements, as believing that what had been already concerted would prevent a War.

The Stocks begin to riſe, S. Sea to 105, and the reſt in Proportion. In the mean Time we are told that 21 Ships of the Line, one Fregat, and two Fire Ships already in Commiſſion, are ordered to the Baltick, to be commanded by Sir Charles Wager.

Admiral Hoſier did not ſet out hence for Portſmouth, to ſail with his Squadron to the Weſt Indies till Yeſterday.

The King's Anſwer to the Commons Addreſs, viz. "*Gentlemen*, I return you my hearty Thanks "for this loyal and affectionate Addreſs. You may "be aſſured that no other Uſe ſhall be made of the "Confidence you repoſe in me, but for preſerving "the general Tranquillity, and in Support of the "Trade and Intereſt of my People."

Ordered, That it be an Inſtruction to the Committee on the Malt Bill, to receive a Clauſe to prevent Frauds in the Exportation of Malt; and ordered a new Writ for Dunwich, in the Room of Sir John Ward deceas'd.

On Sunday laſt died Sir Jeremiah Murden, one of the Sheriffs of London and Middleſex, and will, 'tis thought, be ſucceeded by Alderman Brocas, and others, by Alderman Thomſon. The 26th died of a Quinzy in his Throat Sir John Vanbrugh, Comptroller General of his Majeſty's Works, and Surveyor of the Gardens, the Salary of which Places amounts to 700 l. per Annum.

This Day the Commons, after hearing Council againſt the Bill to prevent frivolous and vexatious Arreſts, read the ſame a third Time and paſſed it.

Reſolved to addreſs his Majeſty for the Charter of Incorporations of the Preſident and Fellows of the College of Bermudas, alſo an Abſtract of the Survey of the Iſland of St. Chriſtophers, and the ſeveral Reports relating to the Value of the ſaid Lands, to be laid before the Houſe. This is with a Deſign to fortifie the ſaid Iſlands.

What may be the Deſign of the Northern Powers by their great Armaments at Sea, we do not pretend to determine. Nor on the other Hand, the Truth of a Report in relation to a Tax which the King of Spain has laid on all Goods and Merchandices that ſhall be brought into his Dominions from a certain Nation. Mean Time we may be aſſured of this, that we are well provided for thoſe who ſhall venture to begin Hoſtilities.

The Fleet deſigned for the Baltick, conſiſt of 12 3d Rates, and 9 4th Rates, beſides the Pool and Griffan Fireſhips; and the Squadron for the Mediterranean are moſt of them 3d Rates of 70 and 80 Guns.

From the Flying Poſt, March 29.

Madrid, March 11. All the Converſation here turns upon the great Armament the Engliſh are making by Sea; yet this Court does not ſeem to be apprehenſive of a new War. And 'tis even reported, that there is a Negociation upon the Tapis with a certain Power, which if it ſucceeds, may go a great Way towards maintaining the Peace of Europe,

London, March 29. There is a Squadron of 12 to go to the Straits, commanded by Sir Char. Wager.

Admiral Hoſier ſets out this Day for Portſmouth, to command the Squadron deſign'd for the W. Indies

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Edinburgh, April 4. There are Letters in Town, bearing, That the Duke de Richlieu, the French Miniſter at the Imperial Court, having lately received a Courier from his Court, had forthwith an Audience of the Emperor, wherein he intimated to his Majeſty the Concluſion of a Peace between their Moſt Chriſtian and Catholick Majeſties.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Fiſhery-Office, 29th March, 1726.

The Managers of the Copartnery are to to expoſe to public Sale TOMORROW, being the 5th of April, at their Office, at 3 after Noon, at the following low Rates for the Encouragement of Bidders, viz.

1 Lot, containing 8 Laſts and 3 4ths of dreſs'd Herring-Barrels, at 14 ſh. ſterl. per Laſt.

5 Lots, containing 50 Laſts undreſs'd ditto, at 10 ſh. per Laſt.

1 Lot, containing 7 C. 1 q. 23 l. Coils and Pieces of new Ropes, at 25 ſh. per Hundred.

1 Lot, containing 21 Hundred-weight Rope-yarn, at 22 ſh. per Hundred.

A Parcel of Buſe-ſtrops, weighing to be entred at 6 Shillings per Hundred-weight.

4 New Herring Nets, at 3 l. 10 ſh. ſterl. each Net.

5 Lots, containing 80 dreſs'd Nets, at 40 ſh. ſt. each Net.

8 Lots, containing 110 undreſs'd ditto, at 15 ſh. each Net.

Utenſils for a Twine-work per Inventary, to be ſet up at l. 9, 17, 8. ſterl.

Ditto for a Rope Band, per ditto, to be ſet up at l. 17, 10. ſh. ſterl.

Ditto for a Barking-houſe, per ditto, to be ſet up at l. 14. 16 ſh. 4 d. ſterl.

The above Goods will be ſhown at Leith by David Dies, the Copartnery's Agent; and the Inventaries and Articles of Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-market.

Alſo there will be expoſed to Sale at the ſaid Office, upon Thurſday the 12th of April next, at the ſame Hour, 88 Laſts 1 3d of Herring-barrels, lying at Peterhead, in one Lot, at 14 ſh. ſterl. per Laſt; and the Copartnery's haill Farms of Peterhead for Cropt 1725, conſiſting of 180 Bolls Oat Meal, 170 Bolls Bear, 20 Bolls of each Kind, leſs or more, which will be ſet up at l. 4, 13, 4 *Scots* per Boll, over-head, and delivered at *Peterhead* by the uſual Meaſure.

Notice is alſo hereby given, That the Certificates of the Shares of the Adventurers in the Copartnery, ordered by the laſt General Meeting to be iſſued betwixt and the firſt of April, are ſo far prepared, that all thoſe who ſubſcribed for themſelves, are deſir'd to call for their Certificates at the Copartnery's Office in the Lawn-market, every Tueſday from 10 to 12 in the Forenoon, and Thurſday from 2 till 5 in the Afternoon.

N. B. Notice will be given in this Paper when the other Claſſes are to call for theirs.

¶*¶ That the Lands of EYE, being a Forty-ſhilling Land of old Extent, holding Blanche of the Crown, paying 122 Bolls Victual of yearly Rent; having a convenient Houſe, Office-houſes and Yard, lying in the Pariſh of Fern and Shire of Roſs, within 4 Miles of the Bay of Cromarty and 3 Miles of Tayne: Is to be expoſed to Sale, by Charles Rob the Proprietor, upon the 20th of April next, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 6 in the Afternoon, in the Houſe of Bailie Alexander Stuart in Tayne. The Rental, Conditions of the Roup, and Inventar of the Progreſs of Writs are to be ſeen there, and in the Hands of Mr. Hugh Dallas, Sheriff clerk of Roſs, at Fortroſe.

¶*¶ That there is a COUNTRY-HOUSE at Damhead, a large Mile Weſtward of Edinburgh, in the Weſt-Kirk Pariſh; conſiſting of a large Kitchen, 3 Fire-rooms, 2 Cloſets, a Cellar and Stable, a large Garden, and Graſs for one Cow: To be ſett, and the Entry to be at preſent, or when they pleaſe. Enquire at William Lizars at the Head of Halkerſton's Wynd.

¶†¶ To be ſold, by way of public Roup or Auction, at the Burgh of *Perth*, in the great Houſe belonging to the Town, upon Wedneſday the 20th of April next, the whole Materials and Utenſils of the Linen Manufactory lately belonging to the deceaſt *Provoſt Auſtin*, and laſt to *Patrick Douglas* deceaſt; conſiſting of 12 Weavers Looms furniſhed, &c. two great Coppers, and other Materials for Bleeching or Whitening of Linen Cloth, and a large Calendar-Mill. The ordinary Rules of Rouping to be obſerved. The Goods are to be ſhewn by Thomas Vallange, preſent Deacon of the Weavers at Perth.

¶*¶ That the Town and Lands of DALMARNOCK, with the Oak-Wood and Fiſhings belonging thereto, lying on the Side of the River of Tay, within two Miles of Dunkeld; are to be expoſed to voluntary Sale on Thurſday the Nineteenth Day of May next, at the Sheriff-Clerk's Office in Perth, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. The Lands hold Feu of the Crown for a ſmall Feu duty, and pay of yearly free Rent to the Maſter, after Deduction of Miniſters Stipends, Schoolmaſters *Salaries*, and all other public Burdens, the *Sum* of Three hundred and eleven Pounds, ſeventeen *Sailling*, four Penies, *Scots* Money. And beſide the foreſaid yearly Rent the Tenants conſtantly and regularly pay one full Years Rent of Graſſum, at the Expiration of every ſeven Years. The Conditions of the *Sale*, and *Progreſs* of the Writs are to be ſeen in the Hands of the *Sheriff* Clerk of Perth, and John MacEuen Writer in Dunkeld.

N. B. That there is a very convenient Dwelling Houſe and Gardens, ſuteable to the Eſtate; and that the Oak Woods and other Woods belonging to the ſaid Lands, are not conſidered in the foreſaid Rental, and therefore are to be ſold jointly with the Lands, or ſeperately by themſelves, conform to the Conditions of the Sale. Nota alſo, That the *Salmond* Fiſhings on the Water of Tay, being uſually in the Maſter's Poſſeſſion, make up no *Part* of the foreſaid Rental; but the Value will be conſidered in the Conditions of the *Sale*.

¶*¶ That there is a fine Houſe of Three Storers high, each Storey conſiſting of four Fire-rooms with Cloſets, all well finiſhed, beſides the Garrets conciel'd, whereof three are Fire-rooms, making in all Fifteen Fire-rooms; with a Garden, Bowling-green, and ſeveral other Conveniencies, adjacent thereto, all lying at the Potter-row Port, with 4 Acres of arable Land: To be Sett, either in Whole or in Parts. The Entry to be immediately, or at Whitſunday. Enquire at the Author of this Paper, or at the Laigh Coffee-houſe, about the Conditions. N. B. There is a Stable and Coach-houſe contiguous.

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